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WATFORD

Tue. 19th September, 1989.

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Littlewoods Cup

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PHIL'S PAGE



This may be the first time we have reached the second round of the Littlewoods Cup since I became manager but I am determined not to let it end here. Obviously I want us to reach the third round—and go as far as we can in the competition.

I have to recognise that Watford are a quality side and that we are the underdogs. But our lads can go out and play tonight knowing that there is no pressure on them—knowing Watford

have everything to lose and that we have nothing to fear and everything to gain.

It's just like any other cup tie. Who knows what might happen? For our part we need to make sure that after tonight's 90 minutes we have reached the halfway stage of the tie and have left ourselves still in with a chance when we go down to Watford in a couple of weeks.

I'll certainly be convincing my boys that they have nothing to fear—especially after already having played so well against Blackburn Rovers just before the start of the season. Like Watford, Rovers are likely to be up there, challenging at the top of the Second Division this season—and we've already taken their scalp.

I'm sure our loyal fans will get behind us tonight and at the same time extend a warm welcome to Steve Harrison and his followers from Vicarage Road. Watford, The Family Club, are one of the most welcoming and most hospitable clubs in the League—so I hope we can give them a reception they will appreciate.

Everyone here at Bolton Wanderers, me and the players, the fans and directors have all been looking forward to this game since the draw was made. I hope we enjoy it.

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Wanderers have been drawn away to Halifax Town in the first round of the FA Youth Cup. The tie will be played on Tuesday, 26th September, kick-off 7.30 p.m. If a replay is necessary it will be Wednesday, 4th October, kick-off 7.30 p.m. at Burnden Park.

The Burnden kids have received a bye in the first round of the Lancashire FA Youth Cup and will be at home to either Burnley or Manchester United in the second round.

WANDERERS CROWDS ON THE INCREASE

The first two League games of the season have seen encouraging increases here at Burnden Park:

	<i>This Season</i>	<i>Last Season</i>	<i>Increase</i>
Bolton v Bristol R.:	5913	4821	1092
Bolton v Fulham:	5524	4289	1235

This represents an increase of around 20% each game — let's hope it's not too long before it's up to 100%.

LITTLEWOODS CUP MONEY

Prize money for this year's Littlewoods Challenge Cup has been confirmed as follows:-

Winners	75,000
Losing Finalist	25,000
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	<u>£115,000</u>

The remainder of the £650,000 sponsorship fee will be distributed to Football League Clubs in the form of facility payments.



NEWS DESK NEWS DESK

MAXIMUM EXPOSURE IS LEAGUE GOAL

The recently introduced Saturday night goals highlights on ITV are an extension of the half-time round-up sequence so successfully featured on last season's 'The Match' programme.

First Division goals highlights are supplied to ITV by the League's own company, World Wide Soccer, who each week put together an action package for sale to overseas markets. Last year, viewers in more than 50 countries saw action from a main match plus all the goals from the First Division programme.

GOING FOR GOAL

In the eight seasons since the introduction of 3 points for a win, nearly 2,500 more goals have been scored in League matches compared with the previous 8 years. The breakdown of goals during that period is as follows:-

<u>2 points for a win</u>	<u>3 points for a win</u>
1973/74 — 4,937	1981/82 — 5,277
1974/75 — 5,083	1982/83 — 5,627
1975/76 — 5,218	1983/84 — 5,574
1976/77 — 5,358	1984/85 — 5,524
1977/78 — 5,266	1985/86 — 5,678
1978/79 — 5,188	1986/87 — 5,264
1979/80 — 5,204	1987/88 — 5,327
1980/81 — <u>5,002</u>	1988/89 — <u>5,420</u>
<u>41,256</u>	<u>43,690</u>

Average over 8 seasons with 2 points for a win—5,157

Average over 8 seasons with 3 points for a win—5,461 (+ 5.9%)

N.B. The number of League matches played was a constant 2,028 except in Season 1987/88 when 2,030 matches were played, and Season 1988/89 when 2,036 matches took place.

According to Jack Rollin's "Round Up" in the Sunday Telegraph, the breakdown for Barclays League attendances during the first 3 weeks of the season is as follows:-

	<u>Aggregate</u>	<u>Matches</u>	<u>Average</u>
Division One			
1988/89	659,213	29	22,731
1989/90	797,350	38	20,983
Division Two			
1988/89	448,101	42	10,670
1989/90	534,123	43	12,421
Division Three			
1988/89	176,322	36	4,898
1989/90	174,665	36	4,852
Division Four			
1988/89	106,477	36	2,958
1989/90	116,207	37	3,141
Total			
1988/89	1,390,113	143	9,721
1989/90	1,622,345	154	10,535



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Team: Liverpool

Favourite Away

Ground: Sunderland

**Best Player you have
seen in your position:**

Alan Hansen

Best Goal scored and

how: 35 yd. drive—

Wrexham

Best Goal seen: Ian

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corner against our Res.

Best Sporting

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football:

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ball straight.

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you have met

in football:

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Details of your

First Match:

Bournemouth—got
beat 2-0.

**Your worst moment
on the football field:**

See Mark Came break
leg.

**The funniest incident
you have seen on a**

football pitch: Ian

Stevens missing the ball
and kicking post.

Your best pal in

football: J. Darby

**The best and worst
dressers among your
team mates:**

Jeff Chandler

Robbie Savage

Do you have any

hobbies: Golf, snooker

With which sports

star would you like to

change places for a

day?: Mansell

**Your favourite news-
paper:** Mirror

**Your favourite
holiday spot:**

Loch Ness

Biggest risk taken in

your life: —

Happiest moment

outside football:

Getting engaged



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WATFORD



This evening we welcome the players, officials and supporters of Watford to Burnden Park for an intriguing cup tie which holds exciting possibilities. Watford have been one of the most consistent cup sides of recent seasons and will be looking for

another good run in this competition to complement a promotion campaign.

Watford lost their First Division status at the end of the 1987-88 season and for long periods last season looked likely to follow in the footsteps of Chelsea and bounce straight back at the first attempt. They were never out of the top four until the middle of March and eventually finished in fourth position, a run of only one win in nine games in February and March putting paid to any hopes of a place in the top two. They then suffered the heartbreak of a play-off defeat at the hands of Blackburn Rovers. However, with the added bonus of a good run in the FA Cup, reaching the fifth round, and the Simod Cup (quarter-finalists) it was a most successful season for the Hornets.

This season Watford began with home victories over Portsmouth (1-0) and Leicester (3-1) and drew 1-1 at both Oldham and Oxford until a shock 0-4 defeat at Sunderland ten days ago. Manager Steve Harrison will be hoping that that result was a 'one off' and that his side can put together a good run to carry on where they left off last season. Certainly he can be pleased by his first full season of management, extra cause for pleasure being provided by the success of the Watford Youth side, who won the FA Youth Cup beating Manchester City 2-1 in a two legged final in May. This suggests that there is a healthy production line of promising young players to complement one of the strongest squads in the Second Division.

Watford's best season in this competition was in 1978-79 when they reached the semi-finals. They have reached the fifth round three times in the last nine seasons.

WATFORD League Record 1988-89

Home

P46; W14; D 5; L 4; F 41; A 18

Away

W 8; D 7; L 8; F 33; A 30; Pts 78

Most League Appearances

Cotton 46; Gibbs 46; Wilkinson 44 + 1; McClelland 43; Porter 40 + 2; Jactett 39 + 3; Falconer 30 + 3; Holdsworth, David 27 + 6; Holden 32.

Most League Goals

Wilkinson 19; Porter 10; Thompson 7; Holden 6; Roberts 6.

This Season 1989-90

Scorers (to 9.9.89.)

Wilkinson 2; Dean Holdsworth 1; Thomas 1; Porter 1; Thompson 1.

Watford have started the season with a settled side which has the experienced **Tony Coton** in goal. The only ever-present in all of Watford's 60 games last season, he has committed his future to the club and signed a long term contract. Formerly with Birmingham City, Tony joined Watford for £300,000 and made his first debut for the Hornets in September 1984.

Nigel Gibbs is a product of Watford's youth side, signing professional in October 1983. A former England Under 21 international, he had an outstanding season last time round and has now passed 150 League appearances. **Kenny Jackett** is in his Testimonial season at Vicarage Road after 11 years with the club during which time he has made over 300 League appearances. Equally adept at left back or in midfield, Jackett shares the distinction of being Watford's most capped player with John Barnes, having won 31 caps for Wales.

Lee Richardson is a right sided midfield player who was previously with Halifax Town, moving to Watford last February. The 20 year old made nine appearances for his new

FACT FILE

Season	Div.	Position	Lge Cup	FA Cup	League	
					Most Apps	Top Scorer
1984-85	1	11th	5	5	Barnes 40	Blissett 21
1985-86	1	12th	3	6	Talbot 41,	West 13
					Terry 41, Jactett 41	
1986-87	1	9th	3	6	McClelland 41, Bardsley 41	Falco 14
1987-88	1	20th	4	6	McClelland 40, Porter 39+1	Blissett 4
1988-89	2	4th	2	5	Coton 46, Gibbs 46	Wilkinson 19



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club last season and will be looking to establish himself this season. Former England youth international defender **David Holdsworth** had a fine season in 1988-89, forcing his way into first team reckoning and making his debut in the England Under 21 side. He is partnered in the centre of defence with the experienced **Glenn Roeder** who moved from Newcastle United during the summer. Beginning his career at Orient, Roeder subsequently moved on to Q.P.R. before joining Newcastle in 1983 and began this season with 469 League appearances under his belt. Roeder has replaced John McClelland who moved to Leeds United in the close season.

Right winger **Roderick Thomas** was one of the heroes of the Watford Youth side last season, scoring the winning goal in the final. He made his first team debut as a 17 year old against Arsenal in April 1988. **Paul Wilkinson** scored 22 goals in senior games last season and proved a most consistent marksman, for all his goals came in singles apart from a brace against Oldham. Signed from Nottingham Forest in August 1988 for £300,000 the Louth born striker previously played for Grimsby Town and Everton.

Striker **Garry Thompson** signed for Watford last Christmas and finished the season with 7 goals in 21 League games. The Birmingham born player began his career



Back Row (left to right): Lee Richardson, Neil Redfearn, Paul Miller (now at Bournemouth), Garry Thompson, Iwan Roberts, Willie Falconer, Rick Holden (now at Oldham), Chris Pullan.

Middle Row: Billy Hails (Physio), Martin Gardener, David Holdsworth, Wayne Allison, Mel Rees, David James, Tony Coton, Paul Wilkinson, Dean Holdsworth, Gary Porter, Earnie Walley (Reserve Team Coach)

Front Row: Nigel Gibbs, Liburd Henry, Glenn Roeder, Steve Harrison (Manager), Tom Walley (First Team Coach), Kenny Jackett, Glyn Hodges, Rod Thomas.

with Coventry City, making his League debut in March 1978, and has also played for WBA, Sheffield Wednesday and Aston Villa, chalking up 108 League goals up to the start of the season. Sunderland born **Garry Porter** made the left side of midfield his own in Watford's senior side last season and in all games made 51 appearances plus 2 as sub and scored 12 goals. A former England Youth and Under 21 representative, he is another graduate of the Watford youth scheme having been spotted in his native north east.

Neil Redfearn made his League bow with the Wanderers in the 1982-83 season having joined the club from Nottingham Forest. After 35 appearances in the Bolton midfield he moved onto Lincoln City, Doncaster Rovers and Crystal Palace before joining Watford in November 1988. On his last visit to Burnden Park, Neil scored a spectacular late goal to earn Doncaster Rovers a 1-0 win in May 1987.

Forward **Dean Holdsworth** is the twin brother of David and made

his Watford debut in December 1987. He has also had loan spells with Carlisle, Port Vale, Swansea and Brentford. Midfielder **Willie Falconer** is a former Scottish youth international who signed for Watford in June 1988 from Aberdeen. A versatile player, he has also played at left back and as a front runner and is a key member of the Watford squad. Striker **Liburd Henry** joined Watford from non League football in October 1987 and made his Watford first team debut towards the end of last season after making his League debut during a loan spell with Halifax. **Wayne Allison** is a striker who scored 15 League goals for Halifax Town last season and joined Watford for £250,000 during the summer. A former apprentice at the Shay, Wayne will celebrate his 21st birthday next month.

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MATCH REPORT

That was the week that was!

September 9th, 1989.

Bristol Rovers came to Burnden boasting their 100% record and in confident mood.

Throughout the first 45 minutes the early season pace-makers successfully made things difficult for the Wanderers, who were being watched by last Saturday's opponents, Rotherham. The 'Millermen' had already met their fate at Tranmere by a 2-1 scoreline, in a game that kicked off at 12.30 p.m. Bolton's all round second half display however proved to be too much for Rovers with Steve Thompson always at the heart of opera-

tions and Dean Crombie turning in another commendable performance to contain the aerial power of Devon White and prolific goalscorer Gary Pendrice—who was eventually substituted.

It was David Reeves who broke the deadlock in the 75th minute, beating England U-21 'keeper Nigel Martyn with a 20 yard 'grass-cutter'.

On the same day tonight's visitors, Watford travelled to Wearside and Sunderland's impressive Roker Park. The long trek proved fruitless, suffering a 4-0 deficit where Gabbiadini netted a hat trick.

Bolton's victory over Rovers must have been overshadowed by manager Phil Neal's concern for his players. First Dave Felgate was unable to report for Match Day preparations after collapsing with a mysterious 'bug' and spent four days in hospital. Fears mounted as new signing Tony Philliskirk suffered similar symptoms, also requiring hospital treatment. Then experienced full back Barry Cowdrill reported feeling unwell to further intensify the scare.

The mid week League scene also alerted a 'scare' — in the Crystal Palace dressing room at Anfield. Newly promoted Palace saw their foundations crushed as Liverpool romped to a 9-0 victory that featured no less than EIGHT players getting on the scoresheet.

The game was a milestone for Northern Ireland international striker, John Aldridge who

celebrated his last game for Liverpool before departing to join Real Sociedad in the Spanish League in a reputed £1.1m deal and security of a three year contract for the player.

Back on the 'Burnden Beat' and by Friday last, everyone must have been looking at the end of an unlucky week after President Nat Lofthouse was admitted to hospital for observation. Everyone connected with BWFC send their best wishes to Nat and hope for a quick return.

SATURDAY'S FORTUNES

Seeking better luck the Wanderers travelled across the Pennines to Millmoor to face newly promoted Rotherham. In an eventful first half, the Superwhites threatened to stamp their authority on the game and in the 17th minute, when Heard handled in the area, the breakthrough seemed imminent as referee Mr. Hart awarded a penalty. The normally successful Steve Thompson stepped up to take the kick and although he deceived valiant 'keeper O'Hanlon the woodwork intervened. Ironically it was Rotherham player Heard who made amends for his previous mistake by hammering home the 67th minute winner.

That was the week that was!

Tonight's opposition maintained their 100% home record, thanks to a Paul Wilkinson strike after 71 minutes against newly promoted port Vale, to keep Watford in touch with leaders Sheffield United.

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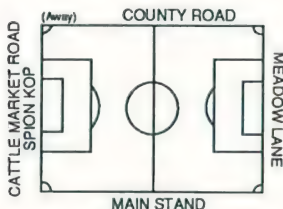
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WANDERERS GOLDEN GOAL

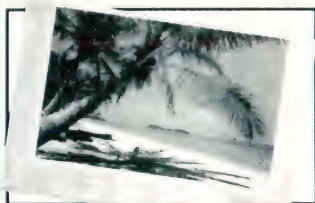
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8729	8990	8892
8743	8884	8247
8412	8478	

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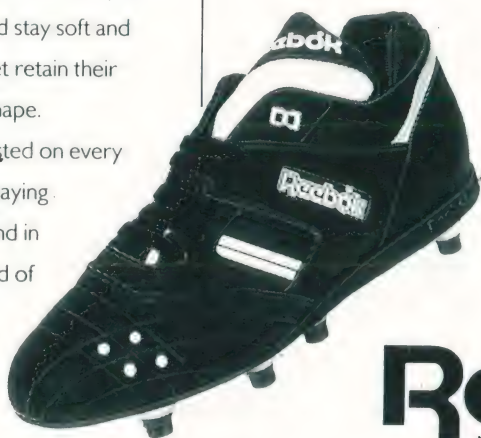
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19th September



HAROLD BLACKMORE
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1891: Despite going behind to a goal from Campbell in the opening ten minutes Bolton fought back to defeat Sunderland 4-2 at Pikes Lane. Cassidy (2), McNee and McFetteridge were the Wanderers goalgetters, Sunderland's last goal coming from Auld, who converted the first penalty kick awarded against Bolton.

1896: Bolton went to the top of the First Division after a 3-2 success at Stoke. All five goals came in the opening half an hour with Thomson putting the Wanderers in front, after he had run the full length of the field, with only three minutes played. Bolton's winner came from an own goal by Clare when he headed a Jones free kick past his helpless 'keeper.

1925: Aston Villa recorded their first win at Burnden since the war by 3-1. They romped into a three goal half time advantage with two goals from York and one from Capewell who was on a run of scoring in eight consecutive games for Villa. Ted Vizard was Bolton's scorer as they completed their eighth League game only three weeks into the season.

1931: Harold Blackmore hit a hat trick that helped sink Middlesbrough by 4-2 at Burnden. Full back Jim Wagstaff converted a penalty for the Wanderers for his only goal in fifty appearances for the club.

1942: A 6-2 defeat at Southport left the Wanderers pointless after four games in the football league Northern section. Nat Lofthouse and George Hunt were the Bolton scorers as the seaside club completed the double with Rothwell netting five of their goals.

1964: Two goals from Francis Lee helped the Wanderers to a 4-1 win over Ipswich Town at Portman Road. The home side were in a generous mood as both Thrower and Elsworthy put through their own goal.

1970: Goals from Gordon Taylor and John Brom gave Bolton a 2-0 win at Blackburn Rovers in what was to be the clubs only away success of the season.

1981: Tony Henry's £120,000 buy from Manchester City made his Bolton debut in a 2-0 home defeat by Oldham Athletic. Roger Palmer and Paul Heaton were the 'Latics' scorers.



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LEFT: Delight for Robbie Savage as he celebrates Bolton's third goal.

TOP RIGHT: Robbie Savage finds himself unmarked as he scores Bolton's third goal.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Julian Darby makes it five for Bolton.

BOTTOM RIGHT: David Reeves meets the ball before Rochdale goalkeeper Keith Welch to head home Bolton's second goal.



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**Can we
bridge the
Watford Gap?**



Tonight's encounter with Second Division Watford gives us the opportunity not only to test ourselves against opposition from a higher level but also hopefully to take an advantage into the second leg in a fortnights time at Vicarage Road. Cup competitions are always fascinating occasions and over the years in the League Cup, now of course the Littlewoods Cup, we have had our fair share of memorable games.

A couple of games stand out for me personally, these being the 3-0 victory over mighty Manchester City in which young Garry Jones scored that superb hat-trick. I still remember that night so well with traffic at a standstill and fans just leaving their vehicles at the roadside and walking the remaining mile or so to the ground. The semi-final first leg at Everton was the second game that stands out for me; standing behind the goal in the last minute when Neil Whatmore hammered a superb free kick into the Everton net for a 1-1 draw. The return leg as we all know was such a disappointment having looked to have done the hard work in the away leg but it was not to be and Wembley was snatched from our grasp.

Returning to the game

tonight, it should be quite interesting to see how Glenn Roeder handles David Reeves. Young David has done well since moving in the summer from Sheffield Wednesday but with Glenn being a vastly experienced professional at the top level it could well prove very intriguing who comes out on top. Neil Redfern could well be in the 'Hornets' line-up tonight making a return to the Wanderers where he had a spell here under the management of John McGovern before moving onto Lincoln City. Paul Wilkinson the former Notts Forest and Garry Thompson ex Aston Villa are two strikers of the highest quality and Dean Crombie and Mark Winstanley are going to have their hands full tonight and in the return leg.

Watford started the season quite well and were top until meeting Sunderland a week last Saturday when they came unstuck 0-4. Manager Steve Harrison will be looking to put that result firmly behind them and secure promotion to the First Division which they narrowly failed to achieve last season.

Enjoy the game tonight and let's hope it's all to play for in the second leg, a fortnight tonight

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PONTIN'S LEAGUE FIXTURES 1989/90

Aug. 23	Sheffield W.	A
30	Stoke C.	H
Sep. 6	West Bromwich A.	A
13	York City	H
19	Burnley	A
20	Littlewoods Cup 2/1L	
27	Blackpool	H
Oct. 2	Mansfield T.	A
4	Littlewoods Cup 2/2L	
11	Preston N.E.	H
18	Port Vale	A
25	Wolverhampton W.	H
Nov. 8	Wigan Ath.	H
15	Sunderland	A
22	Scunthorpe Utd.	A
29	Barnsley	H
Dec. 5	Grimsby T.	A
13	Middlesborough	H
19	Rotherham Utd.	A
3	Stoke City	A
10	Sheffield W.	H
17	York City	A
24	West Brom. Albion	H
31	Burnley	H
Feb. 7	Blackpool	A
12	Preston N.E.	A
14	Littlewoods Cup SF/1L	
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28	Barnsley	A
Mar. 5	Port Vale	H
14	Scunthorpe Utd.	H
28	Wolverhampton W.	A
Apr. 4	Grimsby T.	H
10	Middlesborough	A
18	Rotherham Utd.	H
30	Wigan Ath.	A
May 2	Sunderland	H

30th August, 1989.

Bolton Wanderers Reserves 3
Stoke City Reserves 4

After the previous evenings six goal extravaganza in the Littlewood's Cup, the reserves' enthusiasts were treated to another feast of goals in the first home fixture of the Pontins Central league.

Stoke, who narrowly missed out on promotion themselves last season, took the lead in the opening minute when George Berry headed home a free kick after Kevin Rose had handled outside the penalty area.

Rose, playing his first reserve game for the Wanderers, then went into the referees notebook when he ran out of his area to block a run on goal by Carl Saunders.

Last seasons leading goal-getter, Ian Stevens, opened his account for the term with an equaliser in the 29th minute which was beautifully set up with a delicate chip over the Stoke defence by debutant Nicky Bentham. Stevens was unlucky not to have increased his tally with a spectacular overhead kick brilliantly saved by Stoke keeper Scott Barrett.

Carl Saunders put the visitors back in front and four

minutes into the second half David Ritchie put them 3-1 up and into an apparently unassailable advantage.

Hopes were raised in the 72nd minute when Phil Neal let go a 35 yard screamer that flew into the roof of the net beyond Barretts despairing leap, for the goal of the game.

These were short lived as four minutes later Stoke won a harsh penalty decision against full back Paul Hughes for a challenge on David Ritchie. George Berry converted the kick.

Four minutes from time Nicky Bentham capped a memorable debut with a headed goal at the far post but it proved too late to save the game.

Team: Rose, Hughes (P), Oliver, Henshaw, Neal, Bentham, Chandler, Spooner, Stevens, Hughes (K), Brookman. Subs: Fisher for Hughes (K), Roberts.

The next game in the Pontins Central League is on the 27th September, when Blackpool are the visitors.



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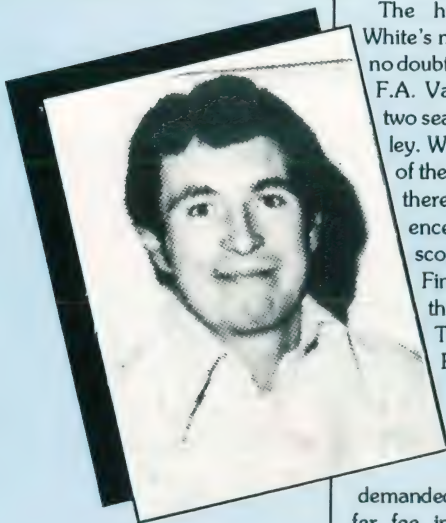
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For the first time we have had to repeat an article because Paul Fletcher has recently taken up a post back in football. That's not bad for the former centre forward who was once told as a lad that he would never make the grade. Paul is as excited as ever about his new appointment as commercial manager to H.F.S. Loans League side Colne Dynamo's. "I only started last week," he said, "and mark my words this Club is going places."

Manager Graham White started Colne off in the 1963/64 season and he's still in the hot seat today and probably the longest serving manager in football. Paul said, "You would be surprised at the number of trophies this club has won over the past twenty years and Graham is now trying to run the club on professional basis."

The highlight of Graham White's managerial career was no doubt Colne's victory in the F.A. Vase Final at Wembley two seasons ago against Emley. When you look at some of the playing staff at Colne there's heaps of experience. Alan Kennedy who scored Liverpool's Cup Final winner on one of their European exploits. Then there's former Bolton Wanderers full back, Derek Scott, much travelled Billy Rodaway and Bobby Thomson who once demanded a £350,000 transfer fee in a move from St.

Johnstone to Middlesbrough. "And they can't get in the side at present," Paul confessed. Dynamos also operate a scouting system where former Burnley manager Harry Potts and Jimmy Robson scour various games looking for valuable acquisitions.

Like most professional clubs Colne operate a Youth policy and former Blackburn and Leeds defender Kevin Hird, valued once at £335,000 which was once a record fee for a full back, acts as school co-ordinator. To date they have four apprentice professionals.

Paul pointed out "Every game is sponsored for the season and we have the facilities of a fully covered stadium. The last home game attracted 1,500 spectators."

There's no reason why Paul Fletcher shouldn't succeed in his new role. He has developed a wealth of experience in marketing since his playing days ended and linking this expertise into the footballing world will prove to be a good acquisition to the Club.

An exuberant Paul said, "You should see the set up here. I'm just settling in at the moment but I shall shortly be visiting local businesses to expand our commercial activities."

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Photo: Tony Henry scores Bolton's first goal against Watford in a 2-0 success on their last League visit in November 1981.



The Wanderers will tonight be looking for their first cup victory over Watford, in either of the major cup competitions, with the Hornets having recorded three successes in the previous encounters between the clubs.

In January 1970, then Third Division Watford, visited Second Division Bolton for a third round FA Cup tie. The biggest crowd of the season, 22,447, were at Burnden to see Roger Hunt, the Wanderers £32,000 buy from Liverpool, make his home debut.

It was the underdogs however, who took the honours with a 2-1 victory thanks to two goals from Barry Endean, the winner coming eleven minutes from time. Roy Greaves was the Bolton goal-getter.

Watford were the favourites in the last cup encounter between the clubs which took

place in October 1982. The Milk Cup had thrown the sides together at the second round stage and Second Division Bolton gave the new First Division leaders a fright.

The first leg took place at Burnden in wet and windy conditions which contributed to the low crowd of 5,664. David Hoggan fired the Wanderers in front after 32 minutes but the visitors hit back to equalise eight minutes later through Gerry Armstrong.

Although Bolton had a great deal of second half play it was John Barnes who crossed for Ross Jenkins to head home the winner and give Watford a first leg advantage.

At Vicarage Road, player-manager John McGovern put the Wanderers level overall after 24 minutes with his only goal for the club, a 20 yard left foot volley, that stunned the home side.

The score remained unchanged after 90 minutes and the tie went into extra time, with the threat of the 'away goal' rule deciding the tie in Watford's favour, the onus was on Bolton to attack. They got caught out at the back and conceded goals to Steve Simms and Luther Blissett to go out of the competition on a 4-2 aggregate.

Our overall League record against Watford is as follows:

	PI	W	D	L	F	A
Home	5	2	1	2	7	6
Away	5	0	2	3	3	9
Total	10	2	3	5	10	15



The season kicked off on the 5th September 1891 with a visit to newcomers, Darwen, the League having been extended to fourteen clubs. The new twelve yard penalty line was well defined and the Wanderers got off to a good start with a 2-1 win.

The three successive home games against Darwen, Sunderland and Preston all ended in victory and the club stood on top of the League for the first time ever. Unfortunately this only lasted five days as a 2-0 reverse was suffered at Notts County, the match being part of the local goose fair.

The first penalty in a

game involving the Wanderers came in the 4-3 home win over Sunderland. Auld converting the kick, awarded after Sutcliffe had kicked Hannah, the latter having to leave the field. The Wearsiders lost three of their first four games yet then went on to take the League title by losing only twice in their next twenty two games.

Six straight wins in which only three goals were conceded put Bolton back on top of the League and home games were attracting over 11000 people. Twenty one years old David McFettridge, who had signed in August from Cowlairs, faced his brother William in the 2-0 win over Burnley and the young Scot also scored the winner at Stoke in a game that was only eighty minutes long due to inclement weather.

Two November defeats against Lancashire rivals were to prove costly in the final analy-

sis of the Wanderers attempts to secure the championship. A 4-0 loss at Blackburn, where the oldest member of the team, twenty seven years old James Brogan, fell ill and a similar result at Preston, in which the first penalty goal was scored at Deepdale, were enough to handicap Bolton's chances.

The Wanderers top spot was lost on New Years Day, a position they were not to regain, and two months then passed without the club's involvement in a League game.

During that time, Di Jones took and missed the club's first ever penalty in a 1-1 friendly draw at Everton and Sheffield Wednesday and Blackburn Rovers ousted the Wanderers from the FA and Lancashire cups respectively.

Any slim chances of success in the League went with a 4-1 Shrove Tuesday defeat at Sunderland but only one



defeat in the final five League games gave Bolton third place, winding up their programme with a 5-2 win at Everton, thanks to a James Cassidy hat trick.

It was Cassidy who also had the distinction of scoring Bolton's first penalty, converting in a 2-0 win over Notts County at Pikes Lane.

Pikes Lane was honoured with what was advertised as the World's League Championship between the English and Scottish Leagues. A 2-2 draw resulted with Bolton's everpresent centre half, Harry Gardiner, starring for the English eleven.

After defeat by Ard-

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DI JONES

***Missed
First Penalty***

wick in the Manchester Cup Final the Wanderers embarked on a Southern tour, defeating Leicester Fosse, drawing with Chatham (later to become Gillingham) and losing to Royal Arsenal who recorded their first ever win over a Football League side.

The Wanderers reserves also completed their first season of League competition, finishing fourth out of eight teams in the Lancashire Combination, which was won by Blackburn Rovers Reserves.

At the League AGM it was again decided to extend the first division and form a second division consisting of twelve clubs. Eleven of these came from the Football Alliance League therefore making that competition defunct. Test Matches were also introduced to decide promotion and relegation.

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(Lee penalty)
Watford 1
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The Wanderers come from behind to win a point on their way to the Third Division Championship. Neil Whatmore makes his home debut for the club.

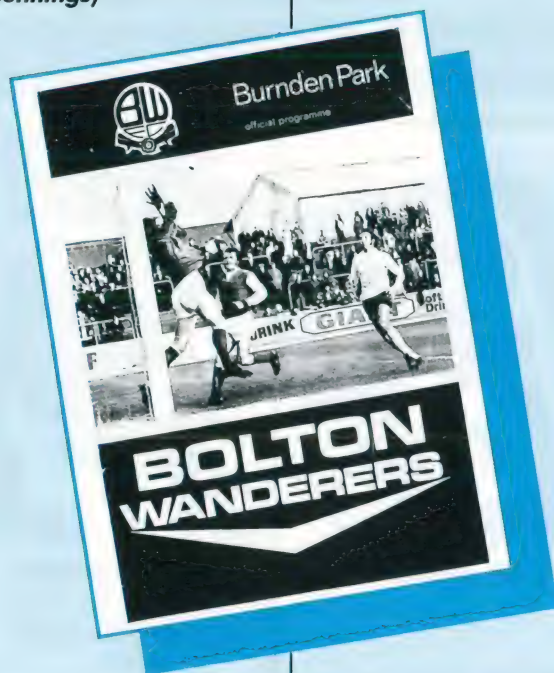
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2. RITSON, John
3. McALLISTER, Don
4. RIMMER, Warwick
5. JONES, Paul
6. NICHOLSON, Peter
7. BYROM, John
8. WHATMORE, Neil
9. GREAVES, Roy
10. LEE, Stuart
11. PHILLIPS, Ron

WATFORD

1. RANKIN, Andy
2. WELBOURNE, Duncan
3. WILLIAMS, John
4. LEES, Walter
5. KEEN, Mike
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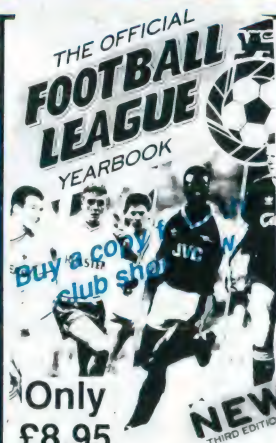


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FIXTURES

Aug. 19	Caudit	Att. 4,376
22	Rochdale (L.C.)	Score 2-0
25	FULHAM	1-2
28	ROCHDALE (L.C.)	3,464
Sept. 2	Fulham	5,524
5	Huddersfield T.	5-1
9	BRISTOL CITY	4,637
12	BRISTOL CITY	1-1
15	BRISTOL CITY	2,872
18	WATFORD (L.C. 2nd Rd-1)	0-0
21	WATFORD (L.C. 2nd Rd-2)	0-1
23	LEYTON ORIENT	5,842
26	Notre Dame (Tue)	
30	MANSFIELD TOWN	
Oct. 3	Walsall (Tue) (L.C. 2nd Rd-2)	
7	WIGAN ATHLETIC	
14	Crews Alex.	
17	Brentford (Tue)	
21	CHESTER CITY	
23	Preston N.E.	
25	Walsall (Tue)	
Nov. 4	SWANSEA CITY	
11	Bristol City	
18	(FAC1)	
25	Birmingham C.	
Dec. 2	NORTHAMPTON T.	
9	(FAC2)	
16	Shrewsbury T.	
26	BLACKPOOL (Tue)	
Jan. 1	Tranmere R. (Mon)	
6	Tranmere R. (Sat)	
13	Walsall (FAC3)	
20	CARDIFF CITY	
27	Bristol R. (FAC4)	
Feb. 3	Leyton Orient	
10	ROTHERHAM UNITED	
13	HUDDERSFIELD T. (Tue)	
17	Northampton T. (FAC5)	
24	BIRMINGHAM CITY	
Mar. 3	Reading	
6	Walsall T. (Tue)	
10	Walsall T. (FAC6)	
17	Walsall T. (FAC6)	
20	CREWE ALEX.	
24	BRENTFORD	
31	Crewe C.	
Apr. 7	PRESTON N.E. (FAC7)	
10	Walsall (Tue)	
14	TRANMERE ROVERS	
16	Blackpool (Tue)	
21	SHREWSBURY T.	
24	Bury (Tue)	
26	Walsall T. (Tue)	
5	Sheff. City	
May 12	FA Cup Final	

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Wanderers INFO

Junior Whites



Next
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meetings

Mon 9th October

Mon. 6th November

6.30 p.m.
in Executive Club

TODAY'S REFEREE

J. RUSHTON
(Stoke on Trent)

Commenced refereeing in 1973 and progressed through local football to the Midland Intermediate League to the Central League in 1976. In 1984 he joined the Panel Leagues and the Football League. Important matches officiated in include Linesman at the Spain v Sweden International in 1988. Mr. Rushton is married with one son and hobbies include squash, jogging and playing football.



TODAY'S MASCOT

Susan Parkinson

Bolton's only ball-girl is 15 years old and lives in Bolton. She attends Deane School, plays football for Lostock Ladies, and her favourite players are Julian Darby and David Reeves.

Barclays League Div III

	Home				Away				Goals
	P	W	D	L	P	W	D	L	F A Pts
Bristol R.....	5	3	0	0	1	0	1	8	3 12
Bury.....	5	1	2	0	2	0	10	5 11	
Huddersfild.....	5	2	1	0	1	0	9	6 11	
Rotherham.....	5	2	1	0	1	0	10	5 10	
Shrewsbry.....	5	2	0	0	1	1	11	7 10	
Bristol C.....	5	2	0	0	1	1	7	3 10	
Fulham.....	5	2	0	1	1	1	0	7 4 10	
Tranmere.....	5	2	0	0	1	0	2	8 5 9	
Birmingham.....	5	3	0	0	0	0	2	7 4 9	
Leyton O.....	5	2	0	1	1	0	1	9 7 9	
Northam.....	5	2	0	0	0	2	1	5 3 8	
Bolton W.....	5	1	1	0	1	1	1	4 2 8	
Walsall.....	5	1	0	2	1	1	0	7 8 7	
Reading.....	5	1	1	1	0	2	0	5 5 6	
Mansfield.....	5	1	0	1	0	2	3	5 6	
Notts Co.....	5	0	1	1	1	1	1	6 7 5	
Chester.....	5	1	1	1	0	0	1	7 9 5	
Crewe A.....	5	0	1	1	0	2	7	10 4	
Swansea.....	5	1	1	0	0	0	3	7 4	
Blackpool.....	5	0	1	2	1	0	1	2 6 4	
Wigan Ath.....	5	0	1	1	0	2	1	2 6 3	
Brentford.....	5	0	1	1	0	1	2	3 6 2	
Preston.....	5	0	1	1	0	0	3	7 15 1	
Cardiff C.....	5	0	1	2	0	0	2	2 11 1	

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BOLTON WANDERERS v LEYTON ORIENT

Barclays League

Saturday, 23rd September, 1989 • Kick-Off 3.00 p.m.

RESERVES v BLACKPOOL

Pontins League

Wednesday, 27th September, 1989 • Kick-Off 7.00 p.m.



BOLTON WANDERERS

White Shirts/Blue Shorts

- 1 Kevin ROSE
- 2 Phil BROWN
- 3 Barry COWDRILL
- 4 Robbie SAVAGE
- 5 Dean CROMBIE
- 6 Mark WINSTANLEY
- 7 Stuart STORER
- 8 Steve THOMPSON
- 9 David REEVES
- 10 Tony PHILLISKIRK
- 11 Julian DARBY
- 12
- 14

TODAYS LINE UP

WATFORD

Yellow Shirts & Black Shorts

- 1 Tony COTON
- 2 Nigel GIBBS
- 3 Kenny JACKETT
- 4 Lee RICHARDSON
- 5 David HOLDSWORTH
- 6 Glenn ROEDER
- 7 Rod THOMAS
- 8 Paul WILKINSON
- 9 Garry THOMPSON
- 10 Gary PORTER
- 11 Neil REDFERN
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